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MIDWEST LIVESTOCK MARKET REVIEW

Cattle receipts at the 12 markets were moderately reduced following 3 weeks of declines. Price trends on fed cattle were uneven and sensitive to day-to-day marketings. Closing sales on slaughter steers and heifers at Chicago were largely 50-75¢ higher for the week. Elsewhere in the midwest fed steers and heifers sold steady to 50¢ up except steady to 50¢ lower at Omaha and So. St. Joseph. Hog prices were steady to 75¢ higher. Spring slaughter lambs sold steady to 50¢ higher at most markets.

SLAUGHTER CATTLE AND CALVES

Receipts of salable cattle at the 12 markets were 6% smaller than in the previous week and 10% below a year ago. A very uneven price pattern on slaughter steers and heifers developed over the midwest circuit with prices rather sensitive to supplies. However, the reduced receipts were a factor influencing a steady to higher price trend at the majority of midwest markets although sales were steady to 50¢ lower at two centers. At Chicago receipts were 20% under the previous week. There was an increase in the proportion of Prime offerings in the steer run there to around 9%, largest since February, while Choice made up 65%. Elsewhere in the midwest Good to average-Choice steers predominated. At Chicago the least advance was on Prime steers and on Choice over 1250#. However, at some centers high-Choice and Prime over 1200# often sold at the full advance as moderate runs served to relieve pressure on these offerings. The fact that prices were sensitive to supplies was well illustrated at Chicago where a subnormal run of about 17,000 head on Monday sold at higher prices followed by a moderate decline on Tuesday when receipts totaled over 10,000 head or largest Tuesday run this year. On following days prices advanced on relatively small receipts. Closing sales at Chicago on slaughter steers were 25¢-1.00 higher for the week, largely 50-75¢ up. Prices on fed steers at Omaha and So. St. Joseph were steady to 50¢ lower, although closing sales at other midwest terminals were mainly steady to 50¢ higher. Prices on slaughter heifers and cows followed about the same pattern as steer prices at the various terminals. Bulls sold unevenly 50¢ higher to 75¢ lower; vealers steady to $1.00 higher.

Two loads Prime 1260-1350# slaughter steers at Chicago cashed at $29.25 and $29.50, few Prime $29.00; high-Choice and Prime $27.25-28.75; bulk average-Choice at the close $26.50-27.25; Good and low-Choice $25.50-26.25. Elsewhere Good to average-Choice fed steers sold from $23.50-27.00 with high-Choice and Prime $27.00-28.00, latter price at Sioux City and Kansas City. At Chicago Good and Choice slaughter heifers realized $24.50-27.25, high-Choice and Prime $27.50-28.75. At other points Good and Choice heifers sold from $23.50-26.75, high-Choice and Prime to $27.50. Good and Choice vealers at So. St. Paul brought $28.00-29.00, high-Choice and Prime $30.00-31.00. At St. Louis National Stock Yards Good and Choice vealers realized $26.00-29.00, high-Choice and Prime $31.00.

STOCKER AND FEEDER CATTLE AND CALVES

Marketings of stocker and feeder cattle at the 10 markets expanded slightly over the volume of recent weeks, but were again considerably under a year ago. Shipments of steers from the terminals totaled 15,698 compared to 13,132 the previous week and 22,913 a year ago. At the same time calf shipments totaled 9,559 compared to 9,514 and 16,246.

Excellent pasture conditions over most of the west and southwest plus good prospects for extensive wheat pasturing late in the season were the major factors influencing a slower marketward movement than at this time in recent years. A modest number of Choice offerings were included in the receipts but Medium and Good grades continued to dominate the supply as quality continued at a seasonally rather

low level. Kansas City received the largest supplies in several weeks, the increase being due principally to the inclusion of some 3,000 head which were consigned for a Thursday auction here. The price gap between feeders and lightweights is the widest in many months reflecting the influence of the excellent grazing season. Stockers and feeders weighing 800# up were uneven and generally slow at steady to weak prices while calves and yearlings sold steady to strong with instances 50¢ higher.

Good and Choice yearling stock steers sold mostly from $26.00-30.00, few loads Choice 500-650# $31.00-32.00 and two loads Choice 508# brought $33.40. Medium stockers sold from $22.00-26.50. Few loads Choice fleshy feeder steers weighing 800-950# brought $26.50-28.00, most Good and Choice steers 800# up $24.00-26.50. Medium and low-Good feeders cashed from $22.00-24.00. Good and Choice yearling heifers sold from $24.00-27.00 with Medium mostly $22.00-24.00. Good and Choice stock steer calves brought $28.00-35.00, few $36.00, same grades of heifer calves sold from $25.00-30.00.

HOGS

Combined receipts at the 12 markets and the Interior Iowa-Southern Minnesota area were smallest except for holiday week since August last year, but were approximately the same as a year ago. Receipts were around 6 percent smaller than in the previous week as field work, which is behind schedule, was a major factor curtailing the hog movement. Closing prices on barrows and gilts at most terminals were steady to 25¢ higher except sales at St. Louis National Stock Yards 25-50¢ higher and Chicago 50-75¢ up. A moderate showing of butchers under 200# was included, these being under considerable price pressure at most markets, selling as much as 50¢ lower. Sow numbers showed a decrease from recent weeks and this condition proved a factor in increasing competition and strengthening prices for this class. Sow prices closed 25-75¢ higher with the exception of Omaha where late sales were steady to 50¢ lower. In the Interior area butcher prices closed 25¢ lower, sows 330# and down steady to 15¢ higher, heavier weights 25-40¢ up. Sows comprised from 9 to 38% of the run at the various terminals with the larger percentages at the most northern points. Butchers weighing 190-260# comprised the bulk of receipts with weights below 200# increased slightly and offerings above 270# again rather scarce. Weights under 200# found narrow outlet and were frequently sorted out and sold 25¢ to $1.00 below heavier weights. Those weighing 210-230# were in best demand and weights up to 270# frequently were included at the same figure or within a 50¢ price spread.

Average cut-out value advantage of U. S. No. 1 over No. 3, live basis, 200-220# barrows and gilts was $1.01 per cwt. based on wholesale carlot prices of fresn pork cuts at Chicago July 17 to July 23, 1958, inclusive.

At Sioux City and Memphis feeder pig prices were steady and sales at So. St. Paul were strong. Good and Choice 130-160# weights brought $21.00-21.50 at Sioux City with a few Medium and Good $20.00-21.00. At So. St. Paul Good and Choice lots brought $20.00-21.00. At Memphis Good and Choice 80-130# feeder pigs realized $17.50-20.00, Common and Medium $14.50-17.00.

SHEEP AND LAMBS

Sheep and lamb receipts of 70,000 at the 12 markets were 14 percent larger than the previous week but 4 percent below a year ago. Prices on slaughter lambs were steady to 50¢ higher for the most part with sales at Kansas City 75¢-1.00 up. At Chicago sales were steady to 50¢ lower. Slaughter ewes were mostly steady, some sales at Chicago $1.00 higher. Feeder lamb supplies increased slightly but prices were largely steady. Choice and Prime spring slaughter lambs sold at Chicago from $25.25-26.00, Good and Choice $22.00-25.25. At other midwest markets, Choice and

Prime offerings realized $23.50-24.50; Good and Choice $21.50-24.25, largely $22.50 and above; Utility and Good $19.00-23.00. A few consignments of Good and Choice shorn spring lambs carrying No. 1 and 2 pelts cashed at $22.50-23.00. Good and Choice 96-108# old crop shorn lambs with No. 1 and fall shorn pelts brought $19.00-20.50, small showing 108# $21.25 at Omaha. A few loads of shorn yearling wethers weighing 93# brought $20.00 at St. Louis National Stock Yards and up to $20.50 at Sioux City and So. St. Paul. Bulk Cull to Choice shorn slaughter ewes sold from $4.00-6.50. Good and Choice 57-76# feeder lambs realized $22.00-24.00. At Sioux City, Good and Choice Colorado feeders brought $22.25-24.00. At Fort Worth around two-thirds of the spring lambs were in feeder flesh, and these sold mostly 50¢ higher, instances $1.00 up. Slaughter lambs sold steady to strong. Good and Choice 75-90# spring lambs there brought $21.00-22.00. Utility and Good 100-108# slaughter yearlings brought $17.00-18.50. Medium and Good 50-85# feeder lambs sold from $18.50-21.00.

WESTERN LIVESTOCK REVIEW

Prices on slaughter steers, heifers and cows at western terminals were steady to $1.00 lower, largely steady to 50¢ off; slaughter calves and vealers mostly steady; stockers and feeders steady to 50¢ lower, but mostly steady; barrows and gilts steady to 50¢ lower except 50-75¢ higher at Los Angeles; spring slaughter lambs steady to 25¢ lower except Ogden 25-50¢ higher, spring feeder lambs steady to 50¢ higher.

At Denver Choice slaughter steers 1375# down brought $25.50-27.50 with a liberal share $26.00-26.50, Good $23.50-25.50, Standard $21.00-23.00. Elsewhere Choice under 1200# realized $26.50-28.50, Good $25.00-27.00, Standard $22.00-25.00. Choice slaughter heifers 1050# and down cashed from $26.00-27.90 over the circuit, Good $23.00-26.50, Standard $20.25-24.00. Standard slaughter cows sold from $21.00-23.00, Commercial $18.50-21.00, Utility $17.00-20.00, Canner and Cutter $14.00-18.50; Choice vealers $28.00-32.00, Good $26.00-29.00, Standard $21.00-25.00; Good and Choice slaughter calves $25.00-29.00. Good and Choice stocker and feeder steers 550-750# sold from $25.00-28.40, same grades 750-1000# $23.50-26.00; Good and Choice 550-750# stocker and feeder heifers $23.00-26.00; Choice and Fancy 170-315# stock steer calves $30.00-33.75, Good and Choice $27.00-31.00; Choice and Fancy heifer calves $27.00-32.00, Good and Choice $25.50-29.00.

Direct sales on slaughter steers and heifers out of Arizona and California feedlots were steady to 50¢ lower. Twenty loads low to average-Choice 900-1200# slaughter steers brought $27.50-28.00, 79 loads average to high-Good 900-1350# $26.00-27.00, 21 loads high-Standard to average-Good 800-1050# $24.50-25.50. Future delivery contracts included 325 head Choice 1000# steers at $27.50 for September delivery, 1000 head Good and Choice 950-1100# $27.00 for August 15-September 25, 9 loads high-Good and low-Choice 1000-1050# $26.00 for early September, 10 loads average-Good 950-1160# $25.25 for August 4. Five loads mostly Choice 825-900# slaughter heifers $27.00-28.00, 36 loads Good and Choice 725-915# $26.00-26.75. Future contracts included 500 head Choice heifers 825-875# at $27.00 for August 15 and September. Good and Choice 600-1000# stocker and feeder steers sold from $24.00-27.00, mainly $25.00-26.00, same grades of heifers $24.00-25.00; Good and Choice steer calves $29.00-31.00, heifer calves $27.00-29.00 for immediate to fall delivery.

U. S. No. 1, 2 and 3 180-240# barrows and gilts at Los Angeles $24.00-25.50, North Portland $23.50-25.00, So. San Francisco and Stockton $24.50, Ogden $23.50-24.25, Spokane $23.50-24.00, Denver $23.25-24.00. Choice and Prime slaughter spring lambs $24.00-24.75 at Denver, Good and Choice $22.50-24.25. Good and Choice cleared at Ogden from $20.50-22.50, in California $22.00-23.00, in Northwest $20.00-22.25. Good and Choice native and range spring feeder lambs sold at Ogden from $18.50-22.00, $20.50-21.75 at Denver, $18.00-20.50 in California, $18.00-19.50 in Northwest. Direct sales were steady to 50¢ lower with 22,500 head Good to mostly Choice slaughter spring lambs $20.00-22.00 in California and Utah for immediate to fall delivery.

WEEKLY RECEIPTS OF SALABLE LIVESTOCK AT 12 PUBLIC MARKETS

Market	Cattle		Calves		Hogs		Sheep	
	July 26 1958	July 27 1957	July 26 1958	July 27 1957	July 26 1958	July 27 1957	July 26 1958	July 27 1957
Chicago	41,439	43,687	702	994	25,955	31,004	4,487	4,279
Cincinnati	2,610	4,575	819	1,111	11,335	12,620	1,427	2,860
Denver	10,919	10,124	163	260	2,139	1,985	12,370	8,256
Fort Worth	6,929	15,075	1,935	3,705	1,737	2,629	6,091	6,297
Indianapolis	7,232	9,635	766	984	31,783	42,461	3,820	3,570
Kansas City	18,938	22,571	1,373	1,965	12,504	14,275	6,929	9,588
Oklahoma City	9,686	20,676	860	2,674	2,367	2,710	2,557	3,694
Omaha	38,494	32,247	508	886	32,278	25,998	9,801	9,226
St. Joseph	14,754	15,663	476	1,014	22,218	20,769	6,116	8,075
St. Louis NSY	14,204	21,353	2,563	5,550	45,880	52,982	6,040	8,264
Sioux City	27,356	21,966	1,175	1,692	19,606	15,117	5,377	5,110
S. St. Paul	20,723	20,105	3,820	5,427	41,628	39,837	4,833	3,601
Total	213,284	237,677	15,160	26,262	249,430	262,387	69,848	72,820
July 19, 1958	227,768		14,940		261,939		61,265	

INTERIOR IOWA AND SOUTHERN MINNESOTA

Week ended:	Hogs	Sheep
July 26, 1958	242,500	22,000
July 19, 1958	261,500	16,600
July 27, 1957	225,500	27,500

FEEDER AND STOCKER CATTLE: AVERAGE COST, WEIGHT, AND NUMBER

	Week ended			Month		Six months	
	July 24 1958	July 17 1958	July 25 1957	June 1958	June 1957	Jan. - June 1958	Jan. - June 1957
Steers - 1001# up	290	435	429	2,199	814	20,046	8,747
901-1000	2,053	2,021	2,054	6,972	3,172	57,274	27,507
801-900	3,174	2,621	2,866	12,768	7,179	84,537	54,624
701-800	2,972	2,552	4,497	15,030	10,638	91,464	66,293
501-700	7,209	5,503	13,067	29,663	29,673	199,343	181,888
Total steers 10 mkts.	15,698	13,132	22,913	66,632	51,476	452,664	339,059
Av. wts. " " "	728#	738#	688#	733#	685#	739#	705#
Av.cost* " " "	$25.39	$25.54	$20.39	$25.32	$19.90	$25.20	$18.99
" " " Chicago	25.37	26.13	21.62	26.30	21.33	24.92	19.88
" " " Ks. City	25.50	25.55	20.77	25.38	20.20	25.50	19.55
" " " Omaha	26.12	26.46	21.22	25.92	20.68	25.35	19.03
" " " S. St. Paul	23.37	23.43	19.38	25.05	19.51	23.31	17.33
" " " Sioux City	25.81	26.37	21.51	26.89	21.13	26.08	19.37
" " " Denver	23.19	25.76	18.27	25.84	20.80	25.91	19.31
" " " Ft. Worth	25.20	26.33	19.57	23.88	18.92	24.11	18.31
" " " Okla. City	25.36	24.78	19.30	24.05	18.35	24.40	18.35
" " " S. St. Joseph	25.57	25.60	19.78	24.99	19.76	25.09	19.10
" " " Natl. Stk. Yds.	24.70	25.86	19.58	25.19	19.82	24.40	18.37
Total calves-10 mkts.	9,559	9,514	16,246	32,756	30,614	171,662	160,152
" heifers " "	3,238	3,688	5,502	16,290	11,110	79,337	59,151
" cows " "	519	348	617	1,350	1,774	12,973	10,556

* Not adjusted for differences in grade of cattle sold at each market.

STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS FOR SLAUGHTER

Grade	Number of head		Percent of total by grades		Average weight (pounds)		Average price in dollars per 100 lb.	
	Week ended							
	July 24 1958	July 25 1957	July 24 1958	July 25 1957	July 24 1958	July 25 1957	July 24 1958	July 25 1957
CHICAGO								
Prime	2593	2532	8.6	8.5	1245	1270	28.14	27.17
Choice	19513	17928	65.1	60.1	1161	1146	26.81	25.36
Good	6977	8100	23.3	27.2	1073	990	25.73	23.26
Standard	727	1015	2.4	3.4	965	919	24.44	20.90
Com'l.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Utility	186	235	.6	.8	917	846	22.87	18.47
All grades	29996	29810			1141	1104	26.63	24.86
OMAHA 1/								
Prime	74	953	.4	7.2	1124	1214	27.24	26.49
Choice	10480	7126	52.9	54.1	1118	1080	25.58	24.86
Good	8566	4308	43.2	32.7	1060	959	24.27	22.70
Standard	672	767	3.4	5.8	982	912	22.33	19.97
Com'l.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Utility	16	21	.1	.2	802	834	20.39	16.14
All grades	19808	13175			1088	1040	24.93	24.09
SIOUX CITY 1/								
Prime	68	321	.6	4.5	1164	1248	27.57	26.25
Choice	6097	4532	52.2	64.4	1164	1087	26.04	24.71
Good	4952	1927	42.4	27.4	1055	969	24.91	22.75
Standard	531	228	4.5	3.2	996	942	22.97	20.25
Com'l.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Utility	40	32	.3	.5	857	836	21.65	18.32
All grades	11688	7040			1109	1056	25.45	24.15
KANSAS CITY 1/								
Prime	32	--	.5	--	1320	--	28.00	--
Choice	1354	1670	23.6	41.8	1087	1062	26.15	24.28
Good	3811	1874	66.4	47.0	1079	990	24.96	22.83
Standard	497	347	8.7	8.7	1030	928	22.67	19.89
Com'l.	--	31	--	.8	--	1036	--	20.00
Utility	45	67	.8	1.7	930	924	20.52	16.88
All grades	5739	3989			1077	1014	25.05	23.12
ST. LOUIS NSY 1/								
Prime	22	5	.4	.1	969	912	27.50	26.00
Choice	1362	2137	28.0	39.4	1027	1059	26.23	24.30
Good	2587	2256	53.2	41.6	981	965	24.96	22.12
Standard	698	877	14.3	16.2	940	918	23.41	20.07
Com'l.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Utility	198	146	4.1	2.7	916	820	21.66	16.65
All grades	4867	5421			985	991	25.01	22.61
S. ST. JOSEPH 1/								
Prime	--	39	--	.8	--	1191	--	25.92
Choice	1185	3007	18.7	62.6	1074	1063	25.85	24.38
Good	4561	1362	71.9	28.3	1070	984	24.66	22.57
Standard	568	390	8.9	8.1	994	920	22.92	19.83
Com'l.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Utility	33	8	.5	.2	1090	942	20.27	15.22
All grades	6347	4806			1064	1030	24.72	23.56

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STEERS SOLD OUT OF FIRST HANDS FOR SLAUGHTER

Grade	Number of head		Percent of total by grades		Average weight (pounds)		Average price in dollars per 100 lb.	
	Week ended							
	July 24 1958	July 25 1957	July 24 1958	July 25 1957	July 24 1958	July 25 1957	July 24 1958	July 25 1957
	DENVER 1/							
Prime	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Choice	2655	3699	60.0	72.2	1132	1166	26.53	25.10
Good	1652	1190	37.3	23.2	1102	1038	25.31	23.44
Standard	120	238	2.7	4.6	1131	1024	21.57	19.26
Com'l.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Utility	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
All grades	4427	5127			1121	1130	25.95	24.50

1/ These summaries developed from data collected on marketings of fed cattle by the Agricultural Estimates Division.

ESTIMATED FEDERALLY INSPECTED SLAUGHTER AND MEAT PRODUCTION

Week ended	Beef		Veal		Pork (excl. lard)		Lamb and Mutton		Total meat prod.	Total lard prod.
	Number	Prod.	Number	Prod.	Number	Prod.	Number	Prod.		
	1,000	mil.lb.	1,000	mil.lb.	1,000	mil.lb.	1,000	mil.lb.	mil.lb.	mil.lb.
July 26, 1958	346	191.0	95	12.9	931	127.8	217	9.5	341.2	--
July 19, 1958	350	193.9	101	13.5	1,010	141.0	228	10.0	358.4	--
July 12, 1958 1/	349	--	100	--	954	--	231	--	--	--
July 27, 1957	393	207.3	139	18.5	928	129.1	265	11.7	366.6	31.1
Percentage change from:										
July 19, 1958	-1	-1	-6	-4	-8	-9	-5	-5	-5	--
July 27, 1957	-12	-8	-32	-30	0	-1	-18	-19	-7	--

Week ended	Average weight (lb.)								Lard yield per 100 lb.
	Cattle		Calves		Hogs		Sheep and Lambs		
	Live	Dressed	Live	Dressed	Live	Dressed	Live	Dressed	
						2/			
July 26, 1958	985	552	245	136	243	137	91	44	--
July 19, 1958	990	554	240	134	247	140	92	44	--
July 12, 1958	1000	560	240	134	247	140	92	44	--
July 27, 1957	954	527	238	133	245	139	91	44	13.7

1/ Actual slaughter. 2/ Excludes lard.

TOTAL MEATS, MEAT PRODUCTS, AND BYPRODUCTS GRADED, OR CERTIFIED AS COMPLYING WITH SPECIFICATIONS BY THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Month	Beef	Veal, and calf	Lamb, yearling, and mutton	Total	All other meats and lard	Grand total
	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#	1,000#
June 1958.....	538,091	16,446	18,595	573,132	11,546	584,678
May 1958.....	537,673	14,014	21,340	573,027	11,789	584,816
June 1957.....	550,376	21,741	18,781	590,898	18,328	609,226
Fiscal year ended:						
June 30, 1957.	6,911,208	302,502	241,510	7,455,220	258,494	7,713,714
June 30, 1958.	6,524,194	230,621	253,953	7,008,768	139,154	7,147,922

WEEKLY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION AT MAJOR CENTERS

City or Area	Cattle		Calves		Hogs		Sheep and lambs	
	July 26 1958	July 27 1957	July 26 1958	July 27 1957	July 26 1958	July 27 1957	July 26 1958	July 27 1957
Boston, New York City Area.	12,428	13,248	10,044	12,296	45,398	40,788	33,366	39,803
Baltimore, Philadelphia....	7,475	9,344	1,283	1,350	22,775	21,998	3,469	4,559
Cin., Cleve., Detroit, Indpls.	18,612	20,336	6,755	9,348	88,350	96,748	15,679	17,660
Chicago Area.....	24,887	25,480	6,257	9,476	35,433	40,357	4,640	6,609
St. Paul-Wisc. Areas.....	27,920	31,406	10,860	14,988	73,794	69,681	9,135	9,447
St. Louis Area.....	12,096	18,178	2,586	7,137	55,659	67,560	4,531	10,863
Sioux City-So. Dakota Area..	20,629	16,906	---	---	49,058	39,793	14,339	8,468
Omaha Area.....	34,805	28,924	176	485	58,404	53,211	11,264	10,464
Kansas City.....	12,255	15,222	1,670	3,833	23,665	22,225	6,406	7,095
Iowa - So. Minnesota.....	30,305	28,260	7,880	10,424	195,692	193,575	24,741	27,236
Louis.Evans.Nash.Mphis..	9,458	13,889	8,014	9,089	45,905	42,718	---	---
Georgia-Alabama Area.....	5,303	8,708	2,632	4,942	19,227	20,031	---	---
St.Joseph.Wichita, Okla.City.	18,174	20,807	1,726	5,256	34,771	36,313	4,317	11,820
Ft.Worth, Dallas, San Antonio	10,436	20,462	7,994	11,354	12,525	13,280	10,196	12,658
Denver, Ogden, Salt Lake City	16,219	15,087	359	662	16,323	12,311	19,753	27,090
Los Angeles, San Fran. Areas	19,782	22,492	2,112	3,503	20,952	21,385	20,245	32,117
Portland, Seattle, Spokane...	6,270	7,856	324	734	9,987	12,265	9,768	8,352
Total.....	287,054	316,605	70,672	104,877	807,918	804,239	191,849	234,245
Accumulation to date.....	8,235,617	9,107,650	2,455,871	3,037,162	28,187,547	29,517,895	6,509,505	6,922,101

ESTIMATED PERCENT OF FEEDER AND STOCKER CATTLE AND SLAUGHTER COWS IN SALABLE RECEIPTS

Week ended	Chicago	Kansas City	Omaha	S. St. Joseph	St.Louis NSY	Sioux City	S. St. Paul	Indianapolis	Denver	Fort Worth	Okla. City	Wichita	San Antonio
						Feeders and stockers							
July 25, 1958	3	41	10	13	4	30	3	3	5	50	53	38	36
July 18, 1958	2	28	9	12	4	28	5	3	5	50	59	34	35
July 26, 1957	3	40	13	25	6	32	5	7	3	55	53	38	20
						Slaughter cows							
July 25, 1958	7	12	11	9	13	6	25	10	18	20	14	30	28
July 18, 1958	6	14	15	8	12	7	25	13	20	20	17	26	32
July 26, 1957	7	19	12	13	23	13	55	12	20	30	24	32	30

CATTLE: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS
In dollars per 100 pounds

Classification	Chicago		Kansas City		Omaha		Denver		Los Angeles	
	July 26 1958	July 27 1957	July 26 1958	July 27 1957	July 26 1958	July 27 1957	July 26 1958	July 27 1957	July 26 1958	July 27 1957
Slaughter cattle, calves and vealers										
Steers -										
Prime 900-1100#	28.45	26.82	--	25.92	27.75	26.50	--	--	--	--
1100-1300	28.68	27.52	--	25.90	27.62	26.72	--	--	--	--
Choice 900-1100	27.15	25.55	26.58	24.48	26.15	24.70	26.70	25.10	27.68	25.50
1100-1300	27.15	25.65	26.30	24.45	26.02	24.92	26.45	24.98	27.65	25.50
Good 900-1100	25.68	22.82	24.55	22.10	24.38	22.25	24.05	22.18	25.92	23.50
Standard-All wts.	24.20	20.35	22.25	19.30	22.25	19.38	21.02	18.75	24.15	20.85
Heifers -										
Prime 600-800#	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Choice " "	26.78	23.58	26.25	23.42	26.02	23.42	26.48	24.76	26.90	23.68
Good 500-900	25.33	21.50	24.38	21.18	24.12	21.32	24.08	21.58	25.50	22.60
Standard-All wts.	23.30	18.98	21.62	18.02	22.12	18.50	21.05	18.00	23.38	20.38
Cows - All weights-										
Commercial	19.78	15.70	20.00	15.72	19.15	16.10	19.78	16.40	21.05	17.00
Utility	18.50	14.40	18.25	14.05	17.78	14.60	18.18	14.90	19.08	15.28
Canner & Cutter	16.60	12.98	15.75	11.62	15.75	12.35	15.65	12.40	16.02	12.52
Bulls - All wts. -										
Utility & Com'l.	23.26	17.99	21.75	15.82	20.90	16.35	22.75	17.40	23.38	18.50
Calves - 500# dn.-										
Choice	27.50	21.80	26.60	20.20	--	20.75	27.50	20.75	28.60	22.00
Stand. & Good	24.25	18.35	23.75	17.35	--	16.25	24.00	15.75	25.05	19.62
Vealers - All wts.-										
Choice & Prime	30.70	24.30	28.40	20.50	27.00	22.75	29.50	21.75	30.75	23.00
Stand. & Good	27.10	20.35	25.30	17.25	23.75	17.75	25.25	17.62	26.38	20.38
Feeder and stocker cattle and calves										
Steers -										
Choice 500-800#	29.55	23.95	30.10	23.82	29.75	24.00	27.10	22.00	--	--
Good " "	26.90	22.12	27.20	21.80	26.00	21.75	25.30	20.00	25.12	20.00
Medium 500-1000	24.15	19.50	24.25	18.25	23.25	18.75	23.10	18.00	23.75	18.50
Heifers -										
Choice 500-750	26.50	21.50	26.65	21.50	27.25	21.62	25.80	21.25	--	--
Med. & Gd. " "	23.75	18.25	23.95	17.45	23.50	18.75	23.55	18.50	--	--
Cows - All wts. -										
Med. & Gd.	--	--	18.25	13.30	--	14.00	--	--	--	--
Calves - 300-500#-										
Steers -										
Good & Choice	31.80	23.50	32.35	23.75	31.50	23.00	--	--	29.50	--
Heifers -										
Good & Choice	29.30	21.00	29.15	20.45	28.75	21.00	--	--	--	--

HOGS: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS

In dollars per 100 pounds

Classification		Chicago		Interior Iowa and southern Minnesota		Indianapolis	
		July 26 1958	July 27 1957	July 26 1958	July 27 1957	July 26 1958	July 27 1957
Barrows and gilts -							
U.S.No.1,	160-180#	21.50	19.50	--	19.26	21.72	19.78
2 and 3	180-200	22.85	21.14	21.50	20.76	22.55	21.22
	200-220	23.16	21.68	22.44	21.38	23.08	21.71
	220-240	23.16	21.72	22.14	21.19	23.11	21.70
	240-270	22.94	21.48	21.66	20.69	22.85	21.25
	270-300	22.48	21.02	21.01	19.96	22.40	20.82
Sows -							
U.S.No.1,	300-330#	21.50	20.02	20.62	19.36	21.05	19.45
2 and 3	360-400	20.12	19.15	19.35	18.16	20.50	18.32
	450-550	18.70	17.82	17.46	16.34	19.85	17.08
Pigs (Feeder) -							
Gd. & Ch.	All wts.	--	--	--	--	--	--

		Omaha		St. Louis National Stock Yards		Sioux City	
Barrows and gilts -							
U.S.No.1,	160-180#	21.25	--	22.05	20.05	--	--
2 and 3	180-200	22.55	21.72	22.85	21.22	22.68	21.52
	200-220	23.04	22.11	23.00	21.62	23.16	22.20
	220-240	23.14	22.08	23.00	21.66	23.20	22.05
	240-270	22.92	21.68	22.75	21.49	22.98	21.58
	270-300	22.10	21.00	22.28	21.08	22.40	20.70
Sows -							
U.S.No.1,	300-330#	21.42	20.30	21.15	19.18	21.35	20.22
2 and 3	360-400	20.08	19.30	20.30	18.50	20.00	19.12
	450-550	19.10	17.90	19.38	17.00	18.82	17.78
Pigs (Feeder) -							
Gd. & Ch.	All wts.	--	--	--	--	--	--

		S. St. Paul		Baltimore		N. Portland	
Barrows and gilts -							
U.S.No.1,	160-180#	21.32	20.28	--	22.12	24.19	22.88
2 and 3	180-200	22.55	21.78	24.10	22.78	24.56	23.84
	200-220	23.02	22.02	24.30	22.78	24.56	23.84
	220-240	23.02	22.05	24.12	22.59	24.34	23.50
	240-270	22.75	21.78	--	21.97	23.59	22.38
	270-300	--	--	--	20.88	23.09	21.56
Sows -							
U.S.No.1,	300-330#	21.70	19.68	--	17.47	21.50	19.75
2 and 3	360-400	19.75	18.50	--	17.47	21.00	18.50
	450-550	18.38	17.10	--	15.34	19.50	16.75
Pigs (Feeder) -							
Gd. & Ch.	All wts.	20.25	18.60	--	--	--	--

HOGS: AVERAGE COST, WEIGHT, AND NUMBER OF PACKER AND SHIPPER PURCHASES 1/

	Week ended	Chicago	St. Louis Natl. Stock Yards	Kansas City	Omaha	Sioux City	S. St. Joseph	S. St. Paul	Indianapolis	8 mkts. combined
AVERAGE COST –					Dollars per 100 pounds					
Barrows and gilts	July 26,1958	23.02	22.85	22.79	22.83	23.01	22.72	22.40	22.90	22.82
	July 19,1958	22.49	22.58	22.72	22.84	22.79	22.63	22.20	22.70	22.59
	July 27,1957	21.38	21.34	21.53	21.62	21.80	21.64	21.30	21.49	21.46
Sows	July 26,1958	20.04	19.92	19.70	20.21	20.22	20.47	20.11	20.34	20.15
	July 19,1958	19.48	19.73	19.78	19.99	19.58	20.07	19.96	19.64	19.78
	July 27,1957	18.97	18.26	18.17	19.53	19.50	18.50	18.81	18.08	18.89
AVERAGE WEIGHT –					Pounds					
Barrows and gilts	July 26,1958	223	213	219	223	221	221	218	214	218
	July 19,1958	222	214	217	224	221	220	223	213	219
	July 27,1957	220	209	212	214	216	211	210	209	211
Sows	July 26,1958	386	402	393	375	364	368	358	399	374
	July 19,1958	393	395	400	374	370	368	360	400	376
	July 27,1957	383	377	391	350	353	360	353	403	366
NUMBER OF HEAD –										
Barrows and gilts	July 26,1958	16672	37681	11051	20227	11435	18040	22081	27056	164243
	July 19,1958	20551	39498	11740	18151	14160	16715	24389	28026	173230
	July 27,1957	15831	43229	12439	15391	7240	15899	19834	35781	165644
Sows	July 26,1958	6426	3745	1101	9974	6964	3193	11795	2971	46169
	July 19,1958	9202	3501	973	9564	8462	3060	13815	3549	52126
	July 27,1957	11641	5122	1174	8932	6742	3267	12973	4423	54274
SOWS					Percentage of total					
	July 26,1958	28	10	9	33	38	15	35	10	22
	July 19,1958	31	8	8	35	37	16	36	11	23
	July 27,1957	42	11	9	37	48	17	40	11	25

1/ Weighted average.

WEEKLY AVERAGE WHOLESALE VALUE OF HOG PRODUCTS DERIVED FROM 100 LB. LIVE HOG, COMPARED WITH PRICES OF LIVE HOGS, CHICAGO

	Hog products 1/	Hog prices 2/	Gross spread or margin 3/
July 26, 1958	$24.49	$23.16	$1.33
July 19, 1958	24.49	22.72	1.77
July 27, 1957	23.09	21.68	1.41

1/ Value of all edible products, fresh basis (lard rendered) in 100 lb. of live hog computed from wholesale prices on carlot basis, Chicago, reported by National Provisioner daily market report.

2/ Mean of daily quotations on U. S. No. 1, 2 and 3 hogs, 200-220# wt. Chicago.

3/ Difference between wholesale product value and hog prices.

HOG AND CORN PRICES AT CHICAGO AND HOG-CORN PRICE RATIO

Week ended	Barrows and gilts Dollars per 100 pounds	Corn, 1/ No. 3, yellow Cents per bushel	Hog-corn price ratio based on barrows and gilts
July 26, 1958	23.02	134.4	17.1
July 19, 1958	22.49	135.9	16.5
July 27, 1957	21.38	134.8	15.9

1/ Simple average.

NEW YORK WHOLESALE MEAT TRADE REVIEW

Western Dressed Fresh Meats

Receipts of western dressed fresh meats were moderate with steer beef and spring lamb supplemented by a small carryover. Movement of most classes was fairly dependable with best action at the outset and toward the close. Extremely poor demand prevailed for steer hindquarters and clearance was incomplete, while available supply of spring lamb was inadequate late when chain accounts were notably aggressive. Trading on veal and calf was moderately active at steady prices. The trend for spring lamb was steady to strong with some late sales on 40-65# weights $1.00 higher. Bulk sales of pork loins were steady, but prices advanced $1.00 late when demand improved. Fresh skinned hams and spareribs sold lower with Boston butts steady to $1.00 lower. Compared with the previous week: Steer beef mostly steady, some Choice $1.00 higher; cow beef 50¢ up; veal and calf steady; spring lamb steady to strong, some Choice $1.00 higher late; pork loins steady to $1.00 higher; fresh skinned hams $1.00 lower; spareribs $1.00-2.00 off; Boston butts steady to $1.00 lower.

Prime steer carcasses 600-900# closed at $48.00-51.00; Choice 600-800# $45.00-48.00; 800-900# $43.50-46.00; Good 750# down $43.00-45.00. Commercial cow carcasses brought $39.50-42.00; Utility $38.50-41.00. Prime veal 90-150# realized $52.00-56.00; Choice 90-150# $46.00-51.00; Good, all weights, $43.00-46.00; Standard $40.00-43.00. Choice and Prime spring lamb 55# down sold from $51.00-55.00; 55-65# $50.00-53.00; Good, all weights, $48.00-51.00. Pork loins 8-12# cashed at $51.00-56.00; Boston butts 4-8# $47.00-52.00; spareribs 3# down $51.00-57.00; fresh skinned hams 12-16# $49.00-54.00.

Locally Dressed Fresh Meats

The supply of locally dressed steer beef and veal was about normal with spring lamb and pork moderate. The week's trade featured broad demand for steer arm chucks and particularly spring lamb carcasses and cuts. Supplies of beef, veal and fresh pork were in line with the prevailing outlet, but lamb was inadequate for the demand. Outlet for steer hindquarters and short loins was extremely narrow on all sessions. Demand for kosher dressed meats was only fair, and continued highly selective. Steer hindquarters and non-kosher wholesale cuts sold unevenly lower to higher with quotations for veal and calf hindsaddles little changed. Spring lamb carcasses closed $1.00-2.00 higher; pork loins steady to $1.00 lower. Price advance for kosher fresh meats influenced the trade for bulk of kosher steer beef and spring lamb, but veal and calf fronts showed little price change.

Prices for steer ribs and arm chucks moved higher, the latter about $1.00 up with advances up to $4.00 on ribs. Prices of Choice hindquarters were down about $2.00, with Choice short loins off sharply in instances. Hotel and restaurant outlets were considerably reduced. Demand for kosher dressed steer beef showed mild improvement over a week ago, and prices for kosher forequarters and arm chucks were fractionally higher at the close, stabilized to some extent by strong undertone for non-kosher counterparts.

In view of curtailed slaughter schedules for veal and calf sellers maintained a firm price policy. This situation extended through the current week for both kosher and non-kosher offerings. Bulk sales of spring lamb, both carcasses and hindsaddles, were made at $1.00-2.00 higher prices.

The slight reduction in the week's hog kill proved advantageous from a sales and distribution standpoint. Loins cleared on a steady to $1.00 lower basis, some late sales under pressure. Other wholesale pork cuts showed only fractional price changes.

CHICAGO WHOLESALE MEAT TRADE REVIEW

The normal beef supply consisted primarily of Good and Choice carcasses with 700-900# weights predominating. Supplies of other fresh meats were moderate. Boning type veal carcasses increased over the past few weeks. Most spring lamb offerings weighed under 55#. Carcass beef trading was slow although on the initial session shipping outlets were fairly broad and steer beef prices carried a stronger undertone. These outlets narrowed later and bulk sales were only steady. Trading on beef chucks was fairly active but prices were unchanged. Other primal beef cuts sold lower in a dull trade. Carcass veal and lamb trading was slow, with a large proportion of lamb sold in the form of primal cuts. Fresh pork trade was rather sluggish. Smaller interests afforded best outlet early for fresh pork, but volume accounts absorbed bulk near the close. Compared to the previous Friday: Beef and veal steady, lamb mostly $1.00 higher, pork loins steady to $2.50 higher, Boston butts and spareribs steady to $1.00 lower.

Choice 500-700# steer beef cashed at $43.00-46.00, 700-800# $42.00-44.00, 800-900# $42.00-43.00; Good 400-700# $40.00-44.00; Standard 350-700# $39.00-43.00; Choice 400-650# heifer carcasses $42.50-45.00; Good $40.00-43.50; Commercial cow beef $36.00-36.50, Canner, Cutter and Utility $34.75-35.25. Choice and Prime squarecut beef chucks realized $37.00-39.00, comparable rounds $50.00-53.00; Prime loins $85.00-96.00, Choice $73.00-79.00; Prime ribs $60.00-62.00, Choice $48.00-52.00; Choice and Prime kosher style chucks $39.00-41.00. Lamb hindsaddles brought $58.00-63.00, legs $49.00-54.00, loins $75.00-82.00, ribs $72.00-77.00.

PACIFIC COAST WHOLESALE MEAT TRADE REVIEW

Choice steer beef was rather limited in California with carcasses under 650# in smallest supply, but due to a continued poor demand and slow trading the volume was fully sufficient. Choice carcasses 650-800# were excessive for the outlet at Los Angeles. Standard and Good steer beef was more than adequate and there was an increased supply of cow beef. Calf and veal was still limited and barely adequate for a fair demand. Fresh pork cuts were in liberal supply with accumulations of most cuts at Los Angeles and with accumulations moderate at other points. Prices compared to the previous week's close: Steer and cow steady to $1.00 lower; calf steady to $1.00 higher, the advance at San Francisco; veal steady; Choice and Prime spring lamb steady at Los Angeles and $1.00 lower at other points; fresh pork loins steady to $3.00 lower; other fresh pork mostly steady, instances $1.00 lower on shoulders and Boston butts and $2.00 lower on spareribs; smoked skinned hams steady to $2.00 lower; lard steady to 50¢ higher.

Choice steer beef under 700# cashed mostly from $45.00-48.00, a few reaching $49.00 in Seattle, 700-800# $44.00-47.00; Good 500-700# $40.00-47.00; Standard, all weights, $37.00-44.00; Commercial cow beef mostly $36.00-41.00, wasty down to $35.00 at San Francisco; Utility $36.00-40.00; Canner and Cutter $32.00-39.00.

Good and Choice calf under 300# brought $45.00-57.00; Standard down to $42.00 at Los Angeles; Good and Choice veal under 150# $49.00-57.00; Standard $45.00-51.00. Choice spring lamb under 55# cashed from $44.50-50.00, a few Choice to Prime $51.00 at Los Angeles; Good, all weights, $42.00-48.00. Fresh pork loins under 16# cleared from $52.00-62.00; fresh skinned hams $50.00-57.00; shoulders $37.00-46.00; Boston butts $45.00-52.00; spareribs $53.00-64.00; smoked skinned hams $53.00-61.00; slab bacon under 10# $55.00-66.00; sliced 1# packages $60.00-73.00; lard in 1# cartons $17.50-21.00.

WHOLESALE DRESSED MEAT PRICES: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS
In dollars per 100 pounds

Classification	New York		Chicago		San Francisco		Los Angeles	
	July 26 1958	July 27 1957	July 26 1958	July 27 1957	July 26 1958	July 27 1957	July 26 1958	July 27 1957
Beef -								
Steer -								
Prime 600-700#	50.00	44.75	--	42.50	--	--	--	--
700-800	50.50	43.75	--	42.50	--	--	--	--
Choice 500-600	--	--	44.50	41.50	47.50	43.50	47.19	43.12
600-700	46.40	42.75	44.50	41.50	46.12	43.00	45.50	42.25
Good 400-600	43.75	39.00	42.00	38.50	45.00	41.00	44.38	40.00
Standard 350-600	42.00	36.25	41.00	35.50	41.25	36.00	40.88	38.00
Cow, all wts. -								
Commercial	40.50	33.50	36.25	29.50	36.50	30.00	37.00	30.50
Utility	39.50	30.50	34.75	28.19	37.00	29.00	37.00	29.50
Veal -								
Prime 90-120#	54.50	46.00	53.50	45.00	--	--	--	--
Choice 90-120	48.50	40.50	49.50	42.50	--	43.00	--	--
Good 90-120	44.50	37.00	48.50	39.50	54.00	43.00	--	--
Spring lamb -								
Prime 30-45#	53.50	48.50	52.75	48.50	--	--	--	--
45-55	53.00	49.00	51.75	46.50	47.00	42.00	50.00	45.00
Choice 45-55	52.10	48.50	50.75	45.50	47.00	42.00	50.00	45.00
55-65	50.70	48.00	49.75	43.50	46.00	41.00	47.00	42.50
Good, all wts.	49.50	45.00	48.12	41.38	44.00	38.00	46.00	40.50
Pork - Fresh -								
Loins 8-12#	53.20	49.00	50.95	46.50	58.50	58.25	54.50	56.25
12-16	55.50	48.00	49.38	46.25	57.00	56.25	54.50	55.50
Butts 4-8	49.60	40.25	46.88	38.12	51.00	47.50	49.00	41.50
Pork - Cured -								
Hams, smk.,skd. -								
12-16#	55.50	53.50	58.94	55.44	59.00	58.00	56.00	56.25
16-18	55.00	52.50	59.12	55.50	57.00	55.50	55.00	55.50
18-20	--	--	57.12	52.69	--	--	52.50	53.75
Bacon, smk. -slab -								
6-8#	--	--	60.06	60.00	62.00	68.00	62.00	63.75
8-10	54.00	52.00	57.88	59.44	60.00	66.00	60.00	61.00
Sliced, 1# pkg.	65.00	65.00	70.00	71.06	69.00	70.00	68.50	71.75
Picnics, smk. -								
4-8#	41.00	36.00	45.62	38.88	40.00	36.00	40.50	37.00
Backs,D.S. 16-20#	15.25	26.50	14.06	18.00	--	--	--	--
Lard, 1# carton -								
Prime steam	17.00	20.50	16.62	17.50	20.50	22.00	19.38	19.75
Substitutes	--	--	30.00	30.75	--	--	--	--

Note: Quotations at New York exclude locally dressed meats.

BOSTON WOOL MARKET REVIEW

There was a little more interest in greasy domestic wools as approximately nine cars of various grades were sold. Prices of fine wools were slightly stronger, medium grades unchanged. Topmakers were the principal buyers. Trading on woolen wools and noils was very slow with sales steady. Most of the domestic primary markets were very quiet but a modest volume of 12-months wools sold in Texas.

Conditions in the foreign wool producing countries were unchanged from the previous week.

Fleece Wools - Graded fine staple Delaine wool sold from $1.15-1.20 clean basis, graded 60/62s staple and good French combing fleeces brought $1.00 clean and 56/58s staple and good French sold at 87¢. Graded 56/58s baby combing fleece wool cashed at 85¢ clean basis on a core test while 50/54s baby combing fleeces brought 82¢ on a core. Some dealers reported country buyers were paying 40¢ in the grease to the growers for fine Delaine wool.

Territory Wools - Trading on territory wools in the local market continued dull. An occasional pool was sold in the territory States at steady prices.

Texas Wools - Original bag 12-months Texas wool bulk good French combing and staple 64/70s sold in the local market at a clean price of $1.18-1.20. A fair weight of bulk 64/70s staple and good French combing 12-months wool sold in Texas late in the previous week at $1.15, with sales for the week under review from $1.15-1.18 clean basis delivered Boston, while strictly staple 3 inches and longer sold in Texas at a clean price around $1.20 delivered.

Mohair - Activity in the local mohair market was a little slower. Sales continued in Texas as a modest volume of clear spring and fall hair sold at 76½¢ for adult and $1.01½ for kid to the warehouse. A light volume of clear fall mohair was contracted at 66½¢ for adult and 96½¢ for kid hair to the warehouse.

Carpet Wools - The carpet wool trade was quiet compared to the previous week. Low lambs wool sold for shipment at 72¢ clean fibers present. Prices of Buenos Aires carpet wools were difficult to determine due to conflicting quotations from Argentina. Dealers were asking 76½¢ clean fibers present for spot Buenos Aires fleeces. Shippers in Buenos Aires were asking 75½¢ for November second clip 36/40s carpet wools for shipment, around 73¢ for March wools and 75¢ for low lambs. New Zealand carpet fleeces were priced at 72¢ and crutchings at 60-61¢ clean fibers present for shipment while dealers were asking 63-64¢ for spot crutchings.

Woolen Wools - Trading of woolen wools was slow and around the same prices compared to last week, as follows: Scoured pulled domestic 58/60s from 2" to 3" and deep stained at 93¢; choice white 58s lambs wool averaging 2" around $1.02-1.03. White 58s from 2" to 3" at 99¢; choice white 56s, from 2" to 3" at $1.02 and fair white 56s from 3" to 3½" at $1.02. Scoured shorn heavy stained domestic 56/58s of fair length sold at 65¢. Scoured pulled New Zealand 56/58s from 2" to 3" average style brought $1.00 while medium stained New Zealand 50/56s from 3" to 4" brought 90¢.

Wool Tops - Trade in wool tops was rather dull. A fair weight of fine domestic tops sold for future delivery and price to be determined on the basis of the futures at time of delivery. Quotations follow: Warp Australian dry-combed 70s at $1.93; 64s at $1.85; 62s at $1.75; 60s at $1.71; 58/60s at $1.66 and oil-combed 58/60s at $1.64, warp domestic dry-combed 70s at $1.84; 64s at $1.75; 62s at $1.64; 60s at $1.55; 58/60s at $1.44 and oil-combed 58/60s at $1.42; 56s at $1.25; 50/56s at $1.19 and 48/50s at $1.12; oil-combed warp territory 56s at $1.32 and 50/56s at $1.30.

LAMB CROP, 1958

NUMBERS 4 PERCENT LARGER

The 1958 lamb crop totaled 20,779,000 head, 4 percent larger than in 1957, and 7 percent above the 1947-56 average, according to the Crop Reporting Board. The 13 Western States (11 western States, South Dakota, and Texas) produced 5 percent more lambs in 1958 than in 1957, and 2 percent above average. The lamb crop in the 35 Native Sheep States is 4 percent larger than last year and 16 percent above average. In Texas, where approximately 13 percent of the nation's lambs are produced, the 1958 crop is 14 percent above 1957, but 7 percent below average.

LAMBING PERCENTAGE UP

The lamb crop percentage (number of lambs saved per 100 ewes, 1 year of age or older on farms and ranches January 1) this year is a record at 97, 3 points above last year and 2 points above the previous high in 1955 and 1956. The average lamb crop percentage is 90. The Western States lambing percentage at 92 is 4 points above last year and the Native Sheep States at 108 percent is 2 points above last year. The Texas lambing percentage at 81 compares with 72 in 1957 and the average of 69.

The number of breeding ewes 1 year old and older on farms and ranches on January 1, 1958 was 1 percent above 1957, while ewe lambs under 1 year old was 16 percent above January 1, 1957.

WESTERN STATES

The 1958 lamb crop in the 13 Western States is 5 percent above 1957 and 2 percent above average. The number of breeding ewes 1 year old and older on farms and ranches on January 1, 1958 in these States was 1 percent above 1957. The 5 percent increase in lamb crop reflects both the increase in breeding flocks and the higher lamb crop percentage. The number of early lambs (dropped before March 15) in the Western States was 7 percent more than a year earlier. Weather conditions were favorable for lambing in much of the western area.

NATIVE STATES

The lamb crop in the 35 Native Sheep States (all States except 13 Western States) this year is 4 percent above 1957 and 16 percent above average. A 2 percent increase in the number of breeding ewes coupled with a 2 point increase in lambing percentage resulted in the increased number of lambs. In the 35 Native Sheep States, the 1958 lamb crop was larger than 1957 in 23 States, unchanged in 5 States, and smaller in 7 States.

Lamb crop report, July 1, 1958

State and division	Breeding ewes 1 year and older January 1			Lambs saved per 100 ewes 1 year and older January 1 1/			Lambs saved 1/		
	10-year average 1947-56	1957	1958	10-year average 1947-56	1957	1958	10-year average 1947-56	1957	1958
	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head	Number	Number	Number	1,000 head	1,000 head	1,000 head
Maine	19	28	30	94	100	103	18	28	31
N. H.	5	7	6	99	86	83	5	6	5
Vt.	8	10	10	93	90	90	7	9	9
Mass.	7	9	8	97	80	88	7	7	7
R. I.	2	2	2	83	100	100	2	2	2
Conn.	6	8	8	91	88	100	5	7	8
N. Y.	107	123	119	106	115	109	113	141	130
N. J.	9	13	13	88	92	85	8	12	11
Pa.	152	165	168	94	95	98	143	156	164
N. A.	315	365	364	97	101	101	307	368	367
Ohio	789	821	846	97	101	101	765	829	854
Ind.	312	370	370	111	102	108	347	376	399
Ill.	366	410	444	110	110	107	403	451	473
Mich.	284	250	250	102	105	106	291	263	266
Wis.	169	172	182	112	113	116	190	194	212
E. N. C.	1,921	2,023	2,092	104	104	105	1,996	2,113	2,204
Minn.	543	597	615	110	118	117	597	702	722
Iowa	662	790	885	107	114	116	707	902	1,028
Mo.	698	667	617	104	106	104	721	704	639
N. Dak.	354	440	440	104	109	116	368	478	509
S. Dak.	720	914	939	96	105	106	694	960	991
Nebr.	166	227	247	106	103	109	176	234	270
Kans.	317	392	392	101	102	104	321	399	408
W. N. C.	3,460	4,027	4,135	104	109	110	3,585	4,379	4,567
N. C.	5,381	6,050	6,227	104	107	109	5,580	6,492	6,771
Del.	2	3	3	100	100	100	2	3	3
Md.	33	40	40	102	110	112	34	44	45
Va.	249	263	263	112	112	109	280	295	287
W. Va.	249	243	243	105	106	103	262	257	251
N. C.	32	44	46	106	102	104	34	45	48
S. C.	3	8	10	95	88	90	3	7	9
Ga.	11	40	44	81	80	80	9	32	35
Fla.	3	6	7	92	100	100	3	6	7
S. A.	581	647	656	108	106	104	626	689	685
Ky.	524	490	500	115	113	113	601	552	567
Tenn.	222	247	254	104	103	102	231	255	260
Ala.	24	55	55	84	91	85	20	50	47
Miss.	50	60	63	81	87	87	41	52	55
Ark.	37	50	51	90	96	96	33	49	49
La.	74	65	62	64	68	76	47	44	47
Okla.	105	158	155	98	93	106	103	147	165
Texas	4,252	3,312	3,345	69	72	81	2,916	2,385	2,709
S. C.	5,288	4,437	4,485	76	80	87	3,992	3,534	3,899
Mont.	1,313	1,221	1,209	86	92	94	1,133	1,123	1,136
Idaho	875	834	876	110	116	114	961	967	999
Wyo.	1,654	1,583	1,615	82	83	88	1,349	1,314	1,421
Colo.	1,057	1,028	1,028	95	94	100	1,004	966	1,028
N. Mex.	1,047	940	919	76	78	80	796	729	738
Ariz.	322	325	324	82	84	86	265	273	279
Utah	1,158	1,120	1,098	85	86	90	980	963	988
Nev.	381	359	341	85	92	89	323	330	303
Wash.	231	184	188	112	117	115	258	215	216
Oreg.	623	700	714	98	99	99	608	693	707
Calif.	1,384	1,336	1,336	92	95	93	1,272	1,269	1,242
West	10,045	9,630	9,648	89	92	94	8,948	8,842	9,057
U. S.	21,610	21,129	21,380	90	94	97	19,453	19,925	20,779

1/ Lambs saved defined as lambs living June 1, or sold before June 1 in the Native States and lambs docked or branded in the Western Sheep States.

INSPECTED STOCKER AND FEEDER SHIPMENTS FROM PUBLIC STOCKYARDS

Cattle and Calves

Market origin	June 1958	June 1957	State destination	June 1958	June 1957
	Number	Number		Number	Number
Baltimore	1,450	1,465	Pennsylvania	8,942	7,291
Chicago	4,607	4,202	Ohio	6,286	6,522
Cincinnati	529	566	Indiana	8,420	7,475
Clovis	949	2,049	Illinois	22,525	16,065
Denver	11,884	19,850	Michigan	1,860	4,468
Detroit	789	1,605	Wisconsin	770	913
Fort Worth	23,214	24,009	Minnesota	8,823	5,352
Indianapolis	3,002	3,098	Iowa	53,020	31,606
Kansas City	17,859	22,488	Missouri	21,177	24,913
Lancaster	6,541	5,086	South Dakota	6,187	7,071
Los Angeles	5,690	5,725	Nebraska	27,994	22,691
Louisville	2,805	2,463	Kansas	14,125	21,344
Nashville	2,975	1,412			
Ogden	3,318	1,951	Maryland	1,652	1,603
Oklahoma City	24,859	28,150	Virginia	505	761
Omaha	18,447	13,573	Kentucky	2,906	2,040
St. Louis area 1/	6,912	4,500	Tennessee	2,470	2,850
San Antonio	17,966	13,211			
Sioux City	29,561	18,032	Oklahoma	9,396	12,901
Sioux Falls	5,610	4,801	Texas	23,171	28,688
S. St. Joseph	10,700	9,068	Colorado	13,691	24,756
S. St. Paul	5,184	2,919	Utah	2,164	1,287
Wichita	4,189	4,919	California	23,891	14,545
All other inspected 2/	110,040	114,883	All other 2/	59,105	64,883
Total 2/	319,080	310,025	Total 2/	319,080	310,025

Sheep and Lambs

Chicago	207	615	Ohio	2,115	1,111
Denver	1,973	2,025	Indiana	2,890	4,788
Fort Worth	29,431	19,085	Illinois	10,649	11,715
Kansas City	11,472	7,721	Michigan	296	346
Louisville	349	1,542	Wisconsin	--	2
Ogden	6,509	14,159	Minnesota	3,781	4,734
Omaha	9,413	5,629	Iowa	30,981	22,293
St. Louis area 1/	7,382	2,914	Missouri	14,929	7,889
Salt Lake City	--	300	South Dakota	4,430	3,830
Sioux City	10,583	6,417	Nebraska	8,178	6,804
Sioux Falls	635	952	Kansas	6,045	5,321
S. St. Joseph	6,693	2,016	Kentucky	1,573	3,865
S. St. Paul	1,248	3,558	Texas	12,155	7,572
			Colorado	1,546	2,287
			Utah	843	926
All other			California	1,755	1,425
inspected 2/	28,138	33,322	All other 2/	11,867	15,347
Total 2/	114,033	100,255	Total 2/	114,033	100,255

1/ Includes St.Louis National Stockyards, Ill., and St.Louis, Mo.
2/ Excludes Hawaii.
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UNITED STATES EXPORTS OF MEATS

Commodity	May 1958	May 1957
	Pounds	Pounds
EXPORTS (Domestic) -		
Beef and veal -		
Fresh or frozen (except canned)	553,041	1,122,546
Pickled or cured (except canned)	1,838,390	2,023,431
Pork -		
Fresh or frozen (except canned)	687,986	466,445
Hams and shoulders, cured or cooked	1,644,947	1,235,470
Bacon	681,884	158,011
Pork, pickled, salted or otherwise cured, n.e.c.	854,911	3,142,011
Sausage, bologna & frankfurters (except canned)	203,294	733,025
Meat and meat products (except canned) n.e.c.	1,134	6,190,518
Beef and pork livers, fresh or frozen	1,443,939	1/
Beef tongues, fresh or frozen	2,120,229	1/
Variety meats, n.e.c. (except canned)	682,892	1/
Meat specialties, frozen, n.e.c.	412,155	1/
Canned meats -		
Beef and veal	170,775	258,404
Sausage, bologna and frankfurters	103,064	698,770
Hams and shoulders	43,128	81,671
Pork, canned, n.e.c.	322,216	1,330,581
Meat and meat products, n.e.c.	311,708	531,724
Lamb and mutton (except canned)	68,061	127,568
Lard (includes rendered pork fat)	36,986,007	65,696,141
Shortenings, animal fat (excl. lard)	--	41,402
Tallow, edible	454,114	169,716
Tallow, inedible	98,702,604	101,417,948
Inedible animal oils, n.e.c.	745,605	352,631
Inedible animal greases and fats, n.e.c.	6,637,395	9,915,720

1/ Not reported separately prior to January 1958. Compiled from official records, Bureau of the Census.

UNITED STATES EXPORTS OF LIVESTOCK

	May 1958	May 1957
	Number	Number
Cattle (For breeding) -		
Dairy	437)	1,354
Ex. dairy	703)	
Other (Ex. for breeding)	12	382
Hogs	--	49
Sheep	5,050	3,934

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SHEEP AND LAMBS: WEEKLY AVERAGE OF DAILY QUOTATIONS
In dollars per 100 pounds

		Chicago	Omaha	Kansas City	Fort Worth	Denver	Ogden	South San Francisco
SLAUGHTER LAMBS: (Spring) -								
All wts.								
Prime	July 26, 1958	25.80	--	--	--	24.38	22.38	--
Choice	" " "	24.55	23.20	22.75	21.75	23.62	21.62	22.75
Good	" " "	22.95	22.48	21.78	21.25	22.55	20.12	22.25
Ch. & Pr.	July 27, 1957	24.40	23.42	23.00	--	23.98	22.33	21.25
Gd. & Ch.	" " "	23.15	22.40	21.25	21.00	22.55	21.14	20.50
EWES (SHORN) -								
Good &	July 26, 1958	5.90	6.25	6.65	--	7.75	7.25	6.00
Choice	July 27, 1957	7.00	6.60	6.75	--	5.88	6.12	5.50
Cull &	July 26, 1958	5.20	4.88	5.25	--	5.12	4.50	4.00
Utility	July 27, 1957	5.50	4.50	5.00	7.42	4.80	3.92	4.50
FEEDER LAMBS -								
All wts.								
Choice	July 26, 1958	--	23.20	--	--	21.38	21.79	--
Good	" " "	--	21.75	--	20.50	20.88	20.19	19.25
Good & Ch.	July 27, 1957	--	20.50	--	17.40	18.75	19.00	17.75